

**Fact Sheet**  
**Michigan State University (MSU)**



<b>Name of Institution</b>	Michigan State University
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<p><b>Application Deadlines</b></p>	<p>For the spring semester (early January start): September 1 For the fall semester (late August start): April 1</p> <p>Our deadlines are soft, which means that we will accept applications even after these deadlines. However, applications need to be received with enough time for internal processing (at least 9 weeks) and for the student to go through the visa application process in their home country.</p>
<p><b>TOEFL Requirements</b></p>	<p>Paper Based TOEFL (PBT) 550, with no sub-score below 52 Internet Based TOEFL (IBT) 79, with no sub-score below 17</p>
<p><b>Admission Requirements</b></p>	<p><b>Academic Requirement:</b> Students must be in good standing with their university, specific requirements and prerequisites may apply to certain courses or departments</p> <p><b>Proof of Financial Support (POF):</b> In order to obtain a visa to study in the United States, students must provide documentation (student or parent bank account or other documentation) stating the student will have sufficient funds for each semester - see exact amounts below. Proof of financial support is very important for the processing of visas, and should be included with the initial application.</p> <p><u>Estimate POF for academic year 2016-2017 (subject to change):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One semester undergraduate: Tuition: \$10,329.00 (waived for exchange students) Expenses: \$8,102.00 (room, board, health insurance, books, living etc.) Total POF: \$18,431.00</li> <li>• Academic Year undergraduate (two semesters): Tuition: \$20,658.00 (waived for exchange students) Expenses: \$16,204.00 (room, board, health ins, books, living etc.) Total POF: \$36,861.00</li> </ul> <p><b>Letter of Interest:</b> Please submit an essay (approximately 300 words) describing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why you want to study abroad and why you are interested in the American Semester Program</li> <li>• How studying abroad will help you meet your academic, professional and personal goals</li> <li>• What personal strengths you have that support your acceptance into this program</li> <li>• How you plan to apply your experience upon returning to your home institution</li> </ul>
<p><b>Estimated Costs</b></p>	<p>Students coming to Michigan State University should refer to their exchange office for specific exchange agreement.</p> <p>In general, exchange students pay:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Home institution tuition</li> <li>▪ Room and Board, educational supplies, health insurance, fees &amp; taxes (see estimated student budget chart below)</li> <li>▪ Students should also budget for additional living and travel expenses</li> </ul>

<p><b>Accommodation and Meals</b></p>	<p>Michigan State University is home to one of the largest residence hall systems in the United States. This means MSU has a largely residential campus. Living on campus with an American roommate is a great way to experience American culture and is an important part of every Spartan's college experience!</p> <p>To meet different financial needs and personal preferences of students, Michigan State University offers a variety of residence hall accommodations. All halls are co-educational. Men and women are housed in separate suites on separate floors or on the same floor and share dining, recreational, study and classrooms facilities.</p> <p><b>Undergraduate Residence Halls</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Double room with an American roommate</li> <li>▪ Loftable beds, desks, and storage units in rooms</li> <li>▪ Semi-Private Bath</li> <li>▪ Study rooms on each floor</li> <li>▪ Exercise and music practice rooms</li> <li>▪ Great dining options nearby</li> <li>▪ High speed Ethernet</li> <li>▪ Onsite laundry</li> <li>▪ Cable service</li> </ul> <p>As a student in an undergraduate residence hall, students will have an unlimited meal plan. This means that students can eat as often as they would like at any cafeteria across campus. MSU has excellent dining facilities, which cater to any dietary need.</p> <p>We recommend that our incoming students do live on campus as that allows for integration with other students and a well-rounded experience on campus.</p> <p>To learn more about campus dining and to see current menus, see the Eat at State website (<a href="http://eatatstate.com/">http://eatatstate.com/</a>).</p>
<p><b>Application Requirements, Process, and Deadlines</b></p>	<p>Apply to The American Semester Program in four easy steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Step One</b> Make sure you meet admissions requirements</li> <li><b>2. Step Two</b> Check with your study-abroad office to confirm that you are eligible to transfer MSU credits to your degree.</li> <li><b>3. Step Three</b> Collect all the necessary paperwork needed prior to applying. Find the checklist on our website: <a href="http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/">http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/</a></li> <li><b>4. Step Four</b> Download and fill out the application packet <b>Application Packet</b> (<a href="http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/">http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/</a>) and return it and all documents via mail to <b>American@msu.edu</b> with the following words in the subject line; ASP Application</li> </ol> <p>Electronic copies of the application documents only are needed. Questions about the applications can be directed to <a href="mailto:american@msu.edu">american@msu.edu</a></p> <p>Website: <a href="http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/">http://americansemester.isp.msu.edu/apply/</a></p>

<p><b>Subject Areas Restricted to Exchange Students</b></p>	<p>At least 50% of the courses should be taken in the College at MSU that is hosting the Exchange.</p> <p>Restricted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All pre-professional schools</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Computer Engineering</li> </ul> <p>Limited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Law</li> <li>• Genetics</li> <li>• Education</li> </ul>
<p><b>Course Schedule</b></p>	<p>The course schedule can be found here: <a href="http://schedule.msu.edu/">http://schedule.msu.edu/</a></p> <p>Students must meet all prerequisites for courses they wish to enroll in, seats must be available and courses must be open to students who are not in need of completing degree requirements at MSU.</p>
<p><b>Academic Program Strengths</b></p>	<p>Please see the list of majors: <a href="http://admissions.msu.edu/academics/majors_list.asp?Level=UN&amp;Sort=College">http://admissions.msu.edu/academics/majors_list.asp?Level=UN&amp;Sort=College</a></p>
<p><b>Further Information</b></p>	<p>As the eighth largest university in the United States, MSU provides its students leading academics at one of the top 100 universities on Earth. It doesn't stop there. Outside of the classroom students in the American Semester Program at Michigan State University have the chance to live, study, and play at a classic all-American campus with students from all 50 states.</p> <p>Experience warm, sunny summers and snowy winters by big cities, small towns and great access to some of the most beautiful lakeshores and natural areas in the United States. Attend classes and live in state of the art classrooms, buildings and residence halls. Alongside your American classmates, cheer on Michigan State athletes and artists in American sporting and cultural events.</p> <p>Please also take a look at our website: <a href="http://www.msu.edu">www.msu.edu</a></p>

For logos and additional information, please follow these links:

University logo:

<http://cabs.msu.edu/toolkit/logos-marks.html>

Images of the University:

<http://photos.msu.edu/>

Short description about MSU:

<http://www.msu.edu/about/index.html>

Promotional video:

<http://youtu.be/dgCScvbFJTs>